Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 NICOSI 02415 121643Z ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 IO-13 ISO-00 ACDA-07 CIAE-00 PM-05 H-01 INR-07 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 /079 W

-----062030 130016Z /63

R 121630Z SEP 77

FM AMEMBASSY NICOSIA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6469

INFO AMEMBASSY ANKARA

AMEMBASSY ATHENS

AMEMBASSY BONN

AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

DIA WASHDC

AMEMBASSY ISTANBUL

AMEMBASSY LONDON

USMISSION NATO

AMEMBASSY PARIS

USCINCEUR VAIHINGEN GER

USCOCOSOUTH NAPLES IT

USMISSION USUN NEW YRK

USNMR SHAPE BEL

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE NICOSIA 2415

BRUSSELS FOR USEEC USCINCDUR FOR POLAD USDOCOSOUTH FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: PGOV, CY, US

SUBJECT: ADVERSE PRESS TREATMENT OF HODDING CARTER LETTER

TO GREEK CYPRIOT

1. IN PAST FEW DAYS LEFTIST GREEK LANGUAGE PRESS HAS GIVEN CONSIDERABLE CRITICAL ATTENTION TO LETTER DATED AUG 6 FROM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 NICOSI 02415 121643Z

ASST. SECRETARY CARTER TO GREEK CYPRIOT, MR. LOUIS MILIOTIS. TEXT OF LETTER, WHICH APPEARS TO BE RESPONDING TO CRITICISM OF U.S. ASSISTANCE TO TURKEY, WAS PRINTED IN FULL BY PRESS. CRITICAL EDITORIAL COMMENT ACCOMPANYING TEXT CONSISTS PRIMARILY OF COMPLAINT THAT U.S. RECOGNIZES NO MORAL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TURKISH "AGGRESSORS" AND GREEK "VICTIMS," AND ACCUSATION THAT U.S. IS SEEKING A

SOLUTION "NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PURE INTEREST OF THE CYPRIOT PEOPLE, BUT... IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LONG TERM INTERESTS OF THE UNITED STATES..."

2. ALTHOUGH LETTER, IF PRESS ACCOUNTS ARE ACCURATE, DOES NOT DIFFER FROM PUBLIC U.S. POLICY STATEMENTS, ITS TONE PROBABLY WAS TOO EVEN-HANDED NOT TO GRATE ON GREEK CYPRIOT SENSITIVITIES. WE DO NOT BELIEVE LETTER WAS HARMFUL TO U.S. INTERESTS. IT MIGHT INDEED HAVE HAD A TONIC EFFECT. HOWEVER, THERE MIGHT BE FUTURE INSTANCES IN WHICH DISPATCH OF SUCH A LETTER, BECAUSE OF TIMING, TONE, OR OTHER CIRCUSTANCES, MIGHT ADVERSELY AFFECT THE NEGOTIATING CLIMATE. WE RECOMMEND THAT FUTURE LETTERS ON POLICY MATTERS BE SENT VIA EMBASSY FOR DELIVERY TO RECIPIENTS WITHIN CYPRUS. CRAWFORD

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X

Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am Channel Indicators: n/a

Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Concepts: PRESS COMMENTS, DIPLOMATIC COMMUNICATIONS

Control Number: n/a

Copy: SINGLE Sent Date: 12-Sep-1977 12:00:00 am Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am

Decaption Note: Disposition Action: RELEASED Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW

Disposition Date: 22 May 2009 Disposition Event:

Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977NICOSI02415
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00

Document Unique ID: 00 Drafter: n/a

Enclosure: n/a Executive Order: N/A Errors: N/A

Expiration:

Film Number: D770330-0768

Format: TEL From: NICOSIA

Handling Restrictions: n/a

Image Path: ISecure: 1

Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770974/aaaackou.tel

Line Count: 78 Litigation Code IDs: Litigation Codes:

Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 37078648-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc

Office: ACTION EUR

Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE Original Handling Restrictions: n/a Original Previous Classification: n/a Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a

Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a

Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a

Reference: n/a Retention: 0

Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED Review Content Flags: Review Date: 12-Jan-2005 12:00:00 am

Review Event: Review Exemptions: n/a **Review Media Identifier:** Review Release Date: n/a Review Release Event: n/a **Review Transfer Date:** Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a

SAS ID: 1308491 Secure: OPEN Status: NATIVE

Subject: ADVERSE PRESS TREATMENT OF HODDING CARTER LETTER TO GREEK CYPRIOT

TAGS: PGOV, SOPN, CY, US, (CARTER, HODDING), (MILIOTIS, LOUIS)

To: STATE Type: TE

vdkvgwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/37078648-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc

Review Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009